

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action dated June 2, 2006, claims 1, 5-8 and 10-18 are pending. Claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17 stand rejected. Claim 18 is allowed. In this response, claims 1 and 17 have been amended. No new claims have been added. No claims are canceled. Thus, claims 1, 5-8 and 10-18 remain pending. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specifications as filed. No new matter has been added. Applicants reserve all rights with respect to the applicability of the Doctrine of Equivalents.

Amendments

Amendments to the Claims

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 (second)

Claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17

Claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 second paragraph as being indefinite. Independent claims 1 and 17 have been amended to replace the phrase “the server executing one or more computer instructions” with “calculating by the server by executing one or more computer instructions” as suggested by the Office Action. Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 1 and 17, as amended, and dependent claims 5-8 and 10-16 are proper and request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation that the Office Action has indicated that claim 18 is allowed. Applicants also note with appreciation that the Office Action asserts that claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17 would be allowable if amended to overcome the Section 112 rejections. Applicants have amended independent claims 1 and 17 as recommended.

Therefore, applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 5-8 and 10-17, as amended, are allowable for the reasons given above.

CONCLUSION

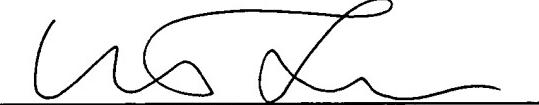
In view of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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